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ASSASSINATION OF JOHN F. KENNEDY, NOVEMBER 22, 1963, DALLAS, TEXAS.

RE BUTEL TO DALLAS, SEPTEMBER 12, 1975.

ON SEPTEMBER 15, 1975, OFFICER DOUGLAS LAVELLE JACKSON, PATROLMAN, DALLAS POLICE DEPARTMENT, DALLAS, TEXAS, INTERVIEWED AT DALLAS. JACKSON ADVISED HE WAS ASSIGNED NOVEMBER 22, 1963, AS MOTORCYCLE OFFICER IN PRESIDENT KENNEDY'S MOTORCADE, AND WAS RIDING TWELVE TO FIFTEEN FEET TO THE RIGHT REAR OF THE PRESIDENTIAL CAR ALONG WITH OFFICER JAMES CHANEY, DALLAS PD. AT APPROXIMATELY 12:30PM, JACKSON WAS TURNING CORNER FROM HOUSTON STREET ONTO ELM STREET FOLLOWING THE PRESIDENTIAL CAR WHEN HE HEARD A LOUD REPORT, WHICH HE THOUGHT TO BE A MOTORCYCLE BACKFIRE. HE LOOKED TOWARD THE PRESIDENTIAL CAR AND ABOUT THE SAME TIME HEARD A SECOND LOUD REPORT, WHICH HE THEN RECOGNIZED AS GUNFIRE. HE OBSERVED GOVERNOR OF TEXAS JOHN CONNALLY JERK TO THE RIGHT SIMULTANEOUSLY WITH THIS SHOT. JACKSON STOPPED HIS MOTORCYCLE AND LOOKED TOWARD THE RAILROAD OVERPASS, WHICH WAS AT THE FRONT OF THE PRESIDENTIAL CAR, AND OBSERVED A POLICE OFFICER STANDING THERE WITH HIS HANDS ON HIS HIPS. THIS

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APPEARED NORMAL, SO HE LOOKED TOWARD HIS RIGHT REAR IN THE DIRECTION OF THE TEXAS SCHOOLBOOK DEPOSITORY BUILDING AND OBSERVED BYSTANDERS FALLING TO THE GROUND. AS HE TURNED TO LOOK AT THE PRESIDENTIAL CAR, HE HEARD A THIRD SHOT AND OBSERVED PRESIDENT KENNEDY STRUCK ABOVE THE RIGHT EAR AND THE TOP OF HIS HEAD EXPLODED TO THE LEFT OF THE PRESIDENTIAL CAR. JACKSON AGAIN LOOKED BACK TOWARD THE INTERSECTION OF HOUSTON AND ELM; HOWEVER, HE DID NOT LOOK UP AT THE WINDOWS OF THE BUILDINGS. THE PRESIDENTIAL CAR STARTED SPEEDING UP AT THIS POINT AND OFFICERS JACKSON AND CHANEY LEFT WITH THE CAR. WHILE CHANEY CLEARED THE WAY FOR THE PRESIDENTIAL CAR, JACKSON STAYED IN THE SAME POSITION, TWELVE TO FIFTEEN FEET TO THE REAR OF THE VEHICLE, FOR THE TRIP TO PARKLAND HOSPITAL. AT THE HOSPITAL, JACKSON HELPED REMOVE GOVERNOR CONNALLY FROM THE VEHICLE AND THEN HELPED REMOVE PRESIDENT KENNEDY AND PLACE HIM ON A STRETCHER. JACKSON THEN ASSISTED GUARDING THE EMERGENCY ROOM DOOR UNTIL HE ASSISTED IN TRANSPORTING PRESIDENT KENNEDY'S BODY BACK TO LOVE FIELD.

JACKSON ADVISED THERE IS NO QUESTION IN HIS MIND THAT THREE DISTINCT SHOTS WERE FIRED AND HE ALSO FEELS THE SHOTS WERE FIRED FROM THE VICINITY OF THE TEXAS SCHOOLBOOK DEPOSITORY

BUILDING. JACKSON STATED THE SAME NIGHT, NOVEMBER 22, 1963, HE PREPARED A DETAILED WRITTEN ACCOUNT OF THE ABOVE INCIDENT FOR HIS PERSONAL RETENTION, WHICH HE STILL POSSESSES, AND HAS NEVER BEEN INTERVIEWED BY THE FBI OR THE WARREN COMMISSION. (P)

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